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# **Congressman Flake Sings the Blues About \$800,000 in Omnibus for the Grammy Foundation**

## ***Why Does the Grammy Foundation Need Taxpayer Money?***

**Washington, D.C.** - Congressman Jeff Flake, who represents the state's Sixth District, today was left scratching his head upon finding out the Grammy Foundation, a non-profit arm of the Recording Academy, received \$800,000 in the Omnibus Appropriations Bill for 2003, which was recently signed into law.

**"The mission of the Grammy Foundation is certainly noble,"** said Flake, **"but why is an organization affiliated with thousands of multi-millionaire musicians and record executives receiving taxpayer money?"**

**"Norah Jones won a handful of awards last night for a song called 'Don't Know Why.' I think that could probably describe a lot of taxpayers trying to figure out why their tax dollars are going to the Grammy Foundation."**

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